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What's Goin' On Around Town COMMUNITY NEWSLETTERS



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Dear Residents:

I hope this edition of What's Goin On Around Town Newsletter provides you with some helpful information regarding events and services provided in and around your community. It's hard to believe our partnership with What's Going On Around Town (owner/operator Judy Loftus) is in its 10th year!

Summer is when we have many programs to offer our residents in the form of weekly entertainment at our award winning TD Bank Amphitheater, Best Live Music Venue in Bucks County, as well as one of the most comprehensive recreation programs for our children. Both schedules are in the following pages of this publication.

The next publication will not be released until September. With that being said, check our website frequently (www.bensalempa.gov) as well as Bensalem Community Television, Comcast Channel 22, Verizon Channel 34 for updated community information.

I wish you and your family a safe, happy and enjoyable summer season!

Sincerely

Mayor Joseph DiGirolamo

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BENSALEM POLICE DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE

The Bensalem Township Police Department opened its doors to the public. During the "open house" members of the community were provided a tour of the police facility and had the opportunity to see the latest technologies and equipment that the police department uses on a daily basis. Some of the police components displayed were: SWAT, K-9, Motor Patrol, Criminal Investigations, Training Simulator, and P.A.L.

The day was a huge success with hundreds of people attending throughout the day. Attendees learned firsthand what the Bensalem Township Police Department does to keep the community safe. The public also had the chance to speak to many officers of all ranks and gain insight into the job they do.



BENSALEM POLICE P.A.L.

The Bensalem Township Police Department proudly announces the expansion of their P.A.L. (Police Activities League) program. Along with other numerous initiatives that the Bensalem Police spearhead, this is still the only official P.A.L. in Bucks County. The program is funded solely by donations received from business and local community members. Because this program offers free recreational and educational activities, we are able to provide opportunities for youth that may not ordinarily be given these chances. P.A.L. is a youth, crime prevention program that utilizes educational, athletic, and recreational activities to foster relationships between our youth and the police department.

Bensalem Police P.A.L. programs currently consist of a summer youth basketball league with 240 youth participants, a flag football tournament, a street hockey league, winter fun program, bowling league and field trips to a Phillies game and an Eagles training camp practice. Upcoming P.A.L. programs may include kickball and wiffleball.

We need and welcome new sponsors to help make this program a huge success. No donation is too big or too small to help children foster friendships and stay actively involved in our community. We hope to team up with local business and community members such as you to make this a success. Why do we do it? As our motto says "Because Every Kid Needs A P.A.L.". "Youth Comes but Once in a Lifetime" so let's make it one they will remember and favorably as an adult.

Interested in sponsoring or just looking for more information? Please contact Bensalem P.A.L. at 215-633-3655 ext 3990 or visit the P.A.L. website at Bensalempolice.org. Please make checks payable to:

Bensalem Township Police PAL
2400 Byberry Road, Bensalem, Pa 19020
Attn: Tracey Buechner.



PRESCRIPTION DRUG AND HEROIN EPIDEMIC

No community has escaped the impact of the prescription drug and heroin epidemic which is plaguing our nation. In an effort to blunt its effects, the Bensalem Township Police Department has adopted a three pronged attack. First and foremost, it has an aggressive Special Investigations Unit which, along with patrol's interdiction efforts, seeks to stop narcotic distribution at its source. The second prong involves treatment. Inspired by a program that was started by the Gloucester Police Department in Massachusetts, Bensalem Police Department is working on a program to help combat the heroin epidemic.

Bensalem Police is hoping to streamline the process for anyone seeking help for addiction. Many times the process takes so long that the addict will change their mind before they receive treatment. Bensalem's program will allow anyone seeking treatment to walk in to police headquarters day or night and ask for help. We plan to implement a "Navigator Program" where a volunteer, or navigator, will meet the person seeking help at the police department and offer support until the assessment process begins at a treatment facility. With the support of Mayor DiGirolamo and Council, Representative Gene DiGirolamo, The Bucks County Drug & Alcohol Commission, The Bucks County Office of Human Services,

Bensalem Drug & Alcohol Board, Livengrin Foundation and Gaudenzia, Inc., Bensalem Police hopes the program will help anyone with a drug or alcohol problem take the first step to changing their life. The program is set to begin June 2016. Stay tuned! Additionally, we are working with many community groups to provide and promote education regarding the Opioid Epidemic. Bensalem Police Officers have become equipped with Naloxone hydrochloride, commonly known as Narcan, is implemented for the emergency treatment of known or suspected opioid overdose, rapidly reversing respiratory and/or central nervous system shut down. Since officers started carrying Narcan twenty two individuals have been revived and granted a second chance at a clean and healthy life. If someone is experiencing an overdose, if you need help seeking treatment, or if you have information that will help in stopping the sale and distribution of illegal narcotics, call the Bensalem Police Department. Help us help you.
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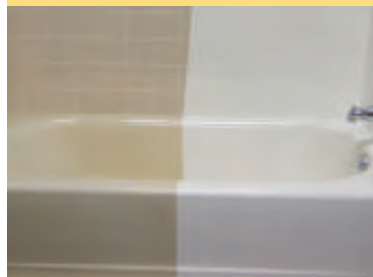


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PARKS AND RECREATION 2016 SUMMER ACTIVITIES BULLETIN

PLAY AREA PROGRAM

This program is open to students entering 1st thru 6th grades. This is a socialization program, which includes recreational activities, such as bowling, swimming and skating. (Proof of age may be required for those entering 1st grade). Please see the bus schedule to determine your locations.

Transportation will be provided to play areas according to the listing on the bus schedule only. School bus schedules and recreation schedules are not the same.

DATES: June 20 – July 28

Monday – Thursday

TIME: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

LOCATION: Belmont Elementary

Cornwells Elementary

Struble Elementary

COST: \$285.00 per child (resident)

Each additional registration \$260.00 (per child)

Non Resident: \$400.00 per child

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SUMMER MUSICAL

This program is open to students entering 6th through 12th grades. Only those who are interested in active stage participant may register. There will be no crew member openings this season. Acting roles only you must know your vacation schedule when you register. Transportation to and from the musical program provided from all play area sites. This year's production is Seussical Jr (Limited enrollment).

DATES: June 20 – July 28

Monday – Thursday

TIME: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

LOCATION: TBA

COST: \$285.00 per child (resident)

Each additional registration \$260.00 (per child)

Non Resident: \$400.00 per child

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TEEN CAMP

This program is open to students entering 7th grade thru 9th grade. (Participants may not have completed 9th grade) Transportation to the program is provided thru play area sites. This program is limited to the first 100 participants.

DATES: June 20 – July 28

Monday – Thursday

TIME: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

LOCATION: Bensalem Community Park

COST: \$285.00 per child (resident)

Each additional registration \$260.00 (per child)

Non Resident: \$400.00 per child

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SPECIAL POP PROGRAM

The Recreation Department's special needs program is NOT designed for children with severe disabilities including certain degrees of autism and extreme behavioral conditions which require any form of support staff. This program will be held at Struble Elementary School and has a very limited enrollment (10 children maximum). Children enrolled in this program must be able to handle 5 hour activity periods. This is strictly a socialization program and therefore does not follow your child's school based IEP as we are not state mandated. For information please call 215-633-3724.

DATES: June 20 – July 28

Monday – Thursday

TIME: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

LOCATION: Struble Elementary School

COST: \$285.00 per child

**REGISTRATION IS OPEN TO
BENSALEM RESIDENTS ONLY**

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EXTENDED DAY PROGRAM

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Don't miss out on the opportunity to be a part of this year's program. Extended Day will have a limited enrollment of 75 participants and will be held at the Bensalem Community Park as an extension to the summer play area program hours. Transportation will be provided from all play area programs for those who are registered for the extended summer camp hours. Extended day participants will be transported to the Bensalem Community Park at the conclusion of the regular camp day of 9-1. There will be no transportation provided home at the end of the camp day. All those who are registered participants must be picked up by 5:00 pm. This 9-5 program will be at a cost of \$460.00 per child. All those who are interested in the full day program must call for **SPECIAL REGISTRATION FORM.**

DATES: June 20 – July 28

Monday – Thursday

TIME: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

LOCATION split:

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Play area

1:00 pm – 5:00 pm Bensalem

Community Park

COST: \$460.00 per child

Open to Bensalem Residents Only
(Extended day program not open to Little Tikes, Special Pop or those under 6 years of age.)

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LITTLE TIKES PROGRAM

(No Transportation Provided)

This program is open to 3, 4 and 5 years old. This program is limited to 40 participants. Participants **MUST** be 3 years of age by January 31, 2016.

5 year olds may not have attended kindergarten; all participants must be potty trained. Birth certificate is required at time of registration.

DATES: June 22 – July 30

Monday – Thursday

TIME: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

LOCATION: Struble Elementary

COST: \$305.00 per child (resident)

Non Resident: \$400.00

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DANCE KIDS

(No Transportation Provided)

Get up and move with Dance Kids! In this program we will explore several different types of dance such as jazz, hip-hop, ballet, musical theater, and modern. We will be discussing the importance of good nutrition and exercise in our daily routines. Pack a lunch or you may participate in the breakfast and lunch program provided.

GRADES: 2nd - 6th

DATES: June 20 – July 28

Monday – Thursday

TIME: 9:00 am – 2:30 pm

LOCATION: Faust Elementary

COST: \$285.00 per child (resident)

Non Resident: \$400.00 per child

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EARLY REGISTRATION DATES

Available for Summer Recreation Programs (Bensalem Community Park located on Richlieu Rd) you may also mail registration to the Parks and Recreation Office.

April 9 – 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

May 5 – 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

SPRING FIELD HOCKEY

Program runs April through early June. All practices and games are held at Bensalem Community Park. Fee: \$75 for all new girls that need equipment. \$50 for those not needing equipment. (Equipment includes official field hockey stick, ball, mouth guard and shin guards). Registration for this program is due by March 11, 2016. Call office for different registration form.

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PARKS AND RECREATION 2016 SUMMER ACTIVITIES BULLETIN

**You asked for more time
and we listened!**

NEW EXTENDED 2 WEEK PROGRAM

Join us for our newly formed 2 week Summer extension Camp. This camp was designed to assist those parents who still needed to bridge the gap between the end of our regular camp season and the start of the new school year. There will be a limited enrollment for this two week, 5 day camp and no transportation is provided to or from the program. Because this program will be held at the Bensalem Community Park, no lunches will be provided. Your child will be given a light snack during the course of the program but must provide his or her own lunch. All activities will be held at the Bensalem Community Park and will include activities such as arts and crafts, movies and outdoor sports. A special registration form is required and no payment plans can be accepted for this program. **LIMITED ENROLLMENT FIRST COME FIRST SERVE**

DATES: August 8 – August 19

Monday – Friday

TIME: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

LOCATION: Bensalem Community Park

COST: \$250 per child

**REGISTRATION IS OPEN TO
BENSALEM RESIDENTS ONLY**

BENSALEM TOWNSHIP PAL LEAGUE

2016 Pal Basketball League will begin the week of June 13, and runs through July 29th, 2016. This program is free and is open to Bensalem girls and boys grades 7 through 12. The deadline for registration will be Friday June 10th, 2016. Registration forms may be obtained through the Police Dispatch window or the Bensalem Township Parks and Recreation Department. Additional information or questions can be emailed to pal@bensalempa.gov or call 215-633-3739. This program is for Bensalem Resident ONLY and proof of residency is required to register.

LOCATION: Bensalem Community Park

GOLF CAMP

(No Transportation Provided)

LIMITED ENROLLMENT

AGES: 8 – 18

DATE: July 11 – July 15

TIME: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

LOCATION: Bensalem Country Club

COST: \$70.00 per child

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FAMILY AFFAIR UNDER THE STARS

September 16

Bensalem parents and children grades K-6th looking to spend some quality fun time with the kids. The Bensalem Township Parks and Recreation invites you to join us for our annual "Family Affair Under the Stars." This event is a free event full of fun wholesome outdoor activities and will be

held at our Bensalem Community Park.

Pre-Registration is required and you must provide your own tent for sleeping. You may not participate in this community sleep over if you are not pre-registered. Events begin at 6:30 pm and conclude at 8:00 am. Adult must accompany children. For additional information contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 215-633-3724. This event is open to Bensalem Residents ONLY! This is an all-night event and you may not attend for activities only!

SOCCER SHOTS

Children's soccer experience for kids ages 2-7. Soccer Shots focuses on the skills and lessons of the game by offering non-competitive classes. Each child learns the fundamentals of the game through principled high-energy instruction, creative and age appropriate games, scrimmaging, and soccer fun! We are changing the lives of young people forever by teaching principles and life skills like confidence, respect, honesty, and teamwork. This spring, Soccer Shots will provide a program in partnership with the Bensalem Parks and Rec Department for the first time. Here are the program details: (30-40 minute class per age group, 6 weeks) for registrations go to Lowerbucks.soccershots.org, any questions call 215-633-3724. Registrations begin in January 2016

LOCATION: Firefighters Field

DATES: Saturdays, April 9 – May 14

COST: \$80.00 per child

Start Times: Ages 5 – 7 3:00 pm

Ages 3 – 4 3:45 pm

Age 2 4:30 pm

FOR REGISTRATION FORMS

CALL 215-633-3616 LEAVE YOUR NAME, ADDRESS PHONE NUMBER AND WHICH PROGRAM YOU ARE LOOKING TO REGISTER FOR.

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Bensalem Blvd and Bridgewater Drive
Bensalem, PA 19020

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REGISTRATION DEADLINES:

Season 1: April 2 • Season 2: May 14 •

Season 3: July 2 • Season 4: August 30

LEARN, PRACTICE & PLAY

Pee Wees (recommended ages 4–6): \$65

Season 1 @ Mill Creek: 5 Thursdays,

April 14 – May 12, 5:15 pm – 6:00 pm

Season 2 @ Gilbert Drive: 5 Thursdays,

May 26 – June 23, 5:15 pm – 6:00 pm

Season 3 @ Gilbert Drive: 5 Thursdays,

July 14 – August 11, 5:15 pm – 6:00 pm

Season 4 @ Bridgewater: 5 Thursdays,

September 8 – October 6,

4:45 pm – 5:30 pm

Little Aces (recommended ages 7–10): \$70

Season 1 @ Mill Creek: 5 Thursdays,

April 14 – May 12, 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Season 2 @ Gilbert Drive: 5 Thursdays,

May 26 – June 23, 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Season 3 @ Gilbert Drive: 5 Thursdays,

July 14 – August 11, 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Season 4 @ Bridgewater: 5 Thursdays,

September 8 – October 6,

5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Juniors (recommended ages 11–13): \$70

Season 1 @ Mill Creek: 5 Thursdays,

April 14 – May 12, 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Season 2 @ Gilbert Drive: 5 Thursdays,

May 26 – June 23, 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Season 3 @ Gilbert Drive: 5 Thursdays,

July 14 – August 11, 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Note: Season 4 Juniors program offered in Middletown Township.

Teens/Adults (Beginners/Intermediates)

(recommended ages 14 and up): \$70

Season 2 @ Gilbert Drive: 5 Thursdays,

May 26 – June 23, 8:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Season 3 @ Gilbert Drive: 5 Thursdays,

July 14 – August 11, 8:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Note: Seasons 1 and 4 Teens/Adults program offered in Middletown Township and Frosty Hollow.

MORE TENNIS OPPORTUNITIES FOR BENSALEM TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

Bensalem Township is part of BCTA's county-wide tennis network. Check out www.buckscountytennis.usta.com for more information about tennis opportunities available to Bensalem Township resident.

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What is the River Renaissance in New Bensalem?

River Renaissance in New Bensalem is a collaboration that began in April 2014 between the Mayor and Township Council and Bensalem's Economic Development Corporation. The partnership followed more than two decades of discussions and studies aimed at transforming the predominantly industrial riverfront into a walkable and bike-friendly economic development boost for new jobs, various types of housing, new tax revenue and improved transportation.

Where is the focus area?

The area is approximately 675 acres between 1-95 and the Delaware River, extending from Station Avenue to Street Road and additionally located between SEPTA's Cornwells Heights and Eddington stations. The property is the size of a small borough, which, with the addition of a town center and various connecting points, will reinforce the small community feel.

How will these additional developments become a reality?

The Mayor and Council have enacted an overlay ordinance that permits additional development uses in conjunction with current residential and commercial properties.

What is an overlay?

An overlay is placed over the existing zoning to allow for additional uses currently not permitted. It is NOT the same as rezoning. With an overlay, the current zoning remains in place and unchanged. Existing riverfront property owners will continue to have the same development rights as they had prior to the overlay but will also have the OPTION of implementing additional uses within the overlay.

What will become of the existing homes and businesses in the target area?

The current property owners living or doing business in the area will be unaffected.

Will I be forced out of my home or forced to change the nature of my business?

NO. This project is simply an opportunity to permit additional uses for unused or vacant property in the riverfront area.

How will the River Renaissance in New Bensalem benefit the community?

This landmark concept is a tremendous opportunity to enjoy a multitude of mixed-use, completely walkable development options geared at seamlessly connecting residents and visitors with the waterfront for shopping, dining, jobs, services and more. Residents can enjoy rides on bike trails and bike paths and could travel easier via connecting points throughout the community. An additional benefit will be improved access to public transportation.

I am concerned about how this may impact traffic along and around the waterfront. How will traffic be addressed?

Traffic impact studies and mitigation measures will be undertaken as part of the development process. As projects are proposed, residents will have the opportunity to ask questions and share insights.

QUESTIONS?

CONTACT DIRECTOR OF BUILDING AND PLANNING, MATT TAKITA at riverfront@bensalempa.gov or 215-633-3654.



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B3T YOUTH NEWS

Building A Better Bensalem Together's Youth Committee will be involved in many activities and events this spring and summer, including the second publication of its Youth Connection Magazine, a collaboration with the Bensalem Senior Center and the construction of an outdoor art installation.

One of the most exciting activities will be a two-day training in late June for the Lead and Seed program provided through the Pennsylvania National Guard's Counterdrug Joint Task Force and federally-funded SAMHSA (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration).

Lead & Seed is a youth empowered, environmental approach to preventing and reducing alcohol consumption, teen tobacco use, drug use and prescription drug misuse in a community. Lead & Seed is a reviewed evidence-based, drug prevention program included in the National Registry of Evidence-based Programs and Practices. The training will take place at the Bensalem Country Club for 20 youth and 10 adults. Following the training, students will begin a community action phase to address local problems, and will work with community leaders to implement an action plan.

B3TKIDS is always looking for new members (Bensalem residents in grades 7-12), adult support and input from the community. For more information, email B3T Youth Chairman Yolanda Robinson at yrobinson@bensalemsd.org or B3T Youth Projects Coordinator Melinda Gordan at mpgordan@gmail.com.



FIRE RESCUE

Bensalem Township Fire Rescue and PARX Casino have partnered in an effort to provide combination smoke / carbon monoxide alarms to Bensalem residents in need. These combination units come with a 10-year Lithium Ion Battery.

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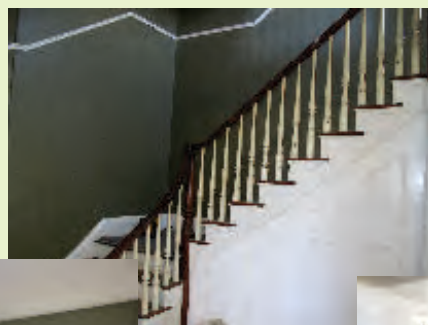
GROWDEN MANSION

Bensalem Township was established in 1692. As with many colonization efforts, communities began in the United States where resources were available to support daily life. The Delaware River is a great example of such a resource. As early settlers expanded into Bensalem, the area of Bensalem Township was divided among twelve original landowners, according to the map of Thomas Holme, William Penn's surveyor general, dated 1684. They were: Lawrence Growden, Joseph Growden, John Gilbert, Walter Forrest, John Bowen, Nathaniel Allen, Samuel Allen, Dunken Williams, Nathaniel Hardin, Francis Walker, Klaus Johnson, and John Gray, also known as John Tatham.

Township tax records of 1693 list only Joseph Growden, Dunken Williams and John Tatham as actually living on their land. Lawrence Growden and his son Joseph owned nearly half of the township land in 1684. The Growden Family (Lawrence & Joseph) were wealthy pewterers from Cornwall England. They lived in Trevoze, near Padstow. While Lawrence did not come to the new colony, apparently he exerted some control over the joint venture with this son. In March of 1681 each man "hand purchased" five thousand acres from William Penn. Hand purchases were unlocated acres which were yet to be identified, surveyed, and patented. Before actual ownership could be established, a survey had to be made and recorded; letter patents were then granted, locating the land by metes and bound. William Penn ordered his Surveyor General, Thomas Holme, to survey 5000 acres on the Neshaminy Creek to the Growdens. Joseph Growden may have first settled in this area. It was somewhat high and in view of the Delaware River, was easily reached by boat, was close to the King's Path (now Bristol Pike) and also close to Bristol, the county seat.

The above information was taken from the book "Traveling Through Bensalem" -1692-1984, produced by the members of the Bensalem Historical Society. This was the first in a series of books which provide fascinating facts and history about Bensalem's History. These books are available for purchase. Please contact the Bensalem Historic Society at 215-639-6575.

The Growden Mansion is now well over 200 years old. The mansion is one of the few remaining magnificent structures (many were destroyed) that is registered as a certified place of history on the United States Historical Registry, and we want to keep this beautiful treasure in our community. Over the past year, Bensalem Township has been slowly renovating the mansion through a federal grant that was procured for the property. It is our hope we can bring this beautiful piece of Bensalem history back to its original splendor.





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Sec. Manderino Continues 'Jobs that Pay' Tour in Bucks County Stops include Roundtable Discussion and VitaCare Home Health Agency Tour

BUCKS COUNTY, Pa., March 7, 2016 /PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry Secretary Kathy Manderino today continued the "Jobs that Pay" tour at CareerLink® Bucks County in Bristol and at VitaCare Home Health Agency, in Feasterville. At the CareerLink®, Manderino participated in a business roundtable hosted by the Bucks County Workforce Development Board with several area health care agencies participating.

"Roundtable meetings on the "Jobs that Pay" tour have consistently provided me with invaluable, bottom-up information, direct from businesses and workforce development stakeholders," said Manderino. "Health care is one of Pennsylvania's fastest growing industries and we expect this trend to continue for some time. This conversation with health care industry representatives will allow us at L&I to widen our scope and incorporate more health care-oriented efforts into our own workforce development system." According to L&I's Center for Workforce Information & Analysis, the Health Care and Social Assistance industry is expected to see a 19.1 percent increase in employment between 2012 and 2022. Home Health Care Services employment in Pennsylvania will increase by nearly 50 percent in that same time frame.



Manderino followed the roundtable meeting with a tour of the VitaCare Home Health Agency headquarters. VitaCare matches patients with visiting nurses, physical therapists, occupational therapists, speech therapists, home health aides and personal care aides. VitaCare has a very diverse workforce, and is able to provide services to patients in many different languages. The agency also won the 2014 Award for Safety Excellence.

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MEDIA CONTACT: Sara Goulet, 717-787-7530
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WEEK #1 – March 28, 2016 – April 1, 2016

Hansell Drive, Knights Road, Byberry Road, Annina Lane, Tucker Road, Essington Way section, Belmont Ridge section, Rockhill Drive, Columbia Drive, Woodsvie Drive, Hidden Valley section, Country Village section, Apple Way, White Oak Lane

WEEK #2 – April 4, 2016 – April 8, 2016

Trevose section, Oakford section, Linconia section and Concord Park section

WEEK #3 – April 11, 2016 – April 15, 2016

Nottingham section, Tillman Drive, Century Lane, Murray Avenue, Stanwood section, Atlantic Avenue, Asbury Avenue, Brown Avenue, Virginia Avenue.

WEEK #4 – April 18, 2016 – April 22, 2016

Springdale section, Neshaminy Valley section

WEEK #5 – April 25, 2016 – April 29, 2016

Neshaminy Valley section, Barnsleigh West section, Belmont Hills section

WEEK #6 – May 2, 2016 – May 6, 2016

Newportville section, Harvest Run West section, Barnsleigh East section, Salem Point section.

WEEK #7 – May 9, 2016 – May 13, 2016

Village Green section, Eddington section, Upper Cornwells Heights section

WEEK #8 – May 16, 2016 – May 20, 2016

Wellington Estates section, Brookwood section, Executive Park section, Valley Meadows section

WEEK #9 – May 23, 2016 – May 27, 2016

Woodridge East section, Glen Ashton Farms section, The Clusters section, Timber Lane section, The Coves section, Mill Creek Farms section

WEEK #10 – May 31, 2016 – June 3, 2016

Andalusia West section, Rywall Park section, Lower Cornwells Heights section. The Township is closed Monday, May 30, 2016 for the Memorial Day holiday.

WEEK #11 – June 6, 2016 – June 10, 2016

I-95 Industrial Park, Clive Avenue, Moore Avenue, Center Avenue, etc...

WEEK #12 – June 13, 2016 – June 17, 2016

Andalusia East section, Echo Beach section, Torresdale Manor section, Lower Andalusia section

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